Dear Vicki and Jim,

I am just getting over one of those awfull colds and feel pretty good today and dad has gone back to work so we are getting back to normal. It is cold out today and there has been snow in the north end and is expected to start here before long and I think it will. I finially got the candles which I made mailed to you this morning. the multicolored one has a candle wreath for it but the red candle has an odd shape and I could not find a wreath to fit it. Are you going to be staying home for Christmas this year? Are you going to have a Christmas tree? You will be getting a package mailed out from Nordstrom-Bests but please don't open it until Christmas, but do open the candle package. hope they won't be broken. I can't believe you will soon be celebrating your third wedding anniversary. You certainly were in an exciting place to celebrate it last year.

Mary and Mike expect to go to Olympia the first of the year but they have decided to keep their apartment in Seattle. Mary is very happy about that and I am too because all the packing and unpacking is such a job and by now they need a central place to keep everything they have.

We had to miss a cocktail party last Saturday night on account of colds but we are going to one at Goldengays this Saturday night and it is for dinner.

More later. Love, Mom.